

## DCA Programs



Are you doing great things for the environment? Do you participate in voluntary environmental events? Does your workplace go above and beyond regulatory requirements? If you answered yes, then [KY EXCEL](#) is a program for you.



The [Operator Certification Program](#) trains and certifies wastewater and drinking water system operators to ensure that these environmental professionals are qualified and prepared to properly treat and protect Kentucky's water resources.



The [Brownfield Program](#) helps communities and property owners identify meaningful solutions that encourage the cleanup and redevelopment of underused, contaminated properties.

## Amended Water Regulations Filed with LRC

Pursuant to the notification requirements in KRS 13A, the Kentucky Division of Water (DOW) filed three proposed amended regulations with the Legislative Research Commission (LRC) on Feb. 11, 2010. They are

- [401 KAR 5:045](#) "Biochemically degradable wastes; treatment"
- [401 KAR 5:070](#) "Provisions of the KPDES permit"
- [401 KAR 5:075](#) "Cabinet review procedures for KPDES permits"

The public hearing is scheduled for March 23, 2010. Individuals may submit written comments that identify anticipated effects through March 31, 2010.

DOW posts all regulations and amendments that are filed with the LRC on its Web site at <http://www.water.ky.gov/regulations>. Filed regulations are also posted on the LRC's Web site at <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/kar/TITLE401.HTM>. Please contact Abby Powell, regulations coordinator, at 502-564-3410, ext. 4808, or by e-mail at [abigail.powell@ky.gov](mailto:abigail.powell@ky.gov) if you have any questions.

## Frankfort Field Operations Office Has Moved

The Department for Environmental Protection's Field Operations Staff has moved to 200 Fair Oaks Lane, Third Floor. The move enables the Frankfort Field staff to be located within the same building as the Division for Air Quality, Division of Water and the Division of Waste Management. Ensure you have the correct mailing address before sending any reports or notifications.

## Coca-Cola and KAB Announce Grant Program

The Coca-Cola Co. and Keep America Beautiful Inc. (KAB) recently announced a recycling bin grant program, an effort designed to promote and support community recycling. Grant recipients receive both donated recycling bins and expertise on how to set up recycling programs from Keep America Beautiful. The grant program is part of a \$60 million investment by The Coca-Cola Co. in recycling initiatives in the U.S.

The spring 2010 grant cycle is now open. Eligible grant recipients include government agencies, civic organizations, schools and nonprofit groups. For more information or to submit an online grant application through March 12, 2010, interested parties may visit <http://bingrant.org>. Successful applicants will be notified on or before April 22.



Environmental laws can often be confusing and challenging. The [Environmental Compliance Assistance Program](#) helps regulated entities understand and comply with environmental obligations, advocates for entities under represented in the regulatory process and facilitates moving beyond compliance to environmental leadership.

## **EPA RCC Grant Opportunity Available**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 4 RCRA Division, Materials Management Section, announced its Resource Conservation Challenge (RCC) competitive grant opportunity. The EPA is soliciting proposals for financial assistance to eligible entities through its Region 4 focus on the national RCC priorities. This funding opportunity supports EPA's strategic goal of land preservation and restoration and provides monies to external organizations to help states, tribes, local governments, communities, and nonprofits address the RCC priorities. Region 4 priorities for this solicitation include resource conservation, waste and chemicals reduction and providing significant energy savings and greenhouse gas reduction benefits.

All proposals are due by March 22, 2010, 5 p.m. EST. Please refer to the announcement for all requirements as it relates to the submission of proposals at the EPA Region 4 Web site, <http://www.epa.gov/region4/waste/rcra/2009rccsolicitation.html>.

## **EPA Increases Transparency of Proposed Regulations**

The EPA is launching a new Web site giving the public additional opportunity to participate in the agency's rulemaking process, demonstrating President Obama's commitment to more transparent and open government. The online Rulemaking Gateway serves as a portal to EPA's priority rules, providing citizens with earlier and more concise information about agency regulations. It also allows users to search for EPA rules that relate to specific interests, including impacts on small business; children's health; environmental justice and state, local and tribal government. Rulemaking Gateway complements Regulations.gov, the federal government's main portal for tracking rules from all federal agencies, by providing brief overviews of specific EPA rules and additional ways to search rules based on the phases they are in (e.g., pre-proposal, proposal), the topics they relate to (e.g., air, water), and the impacts they might have (e.g., impacts on small businesses or environmental justice).

In addition, the EPA has established a Rulemaking Gateway discussion forum to allow the public to suggest enhancements to the site. The forum will be open through July 16, 2010, after which the EPA plans to make enhancements based on the ideas received.

For more information on Rulemaking Gateway and the discussion forum, see <http://www.epa.gov/rulemaking/>. For more information on the Regulations.gov Web site, visit <http://www.regulations.gov>.

## **Final Rule Reduces Air Toxics from Existing Stationary Diesel Engines**

The EPA is setting the first standards that will reduce emissions of formaldehyde, benzene, acrolein and other toxic air pollutants from certain stationary diesel engines. These pollutants are known or suspected to cause cancer or other serious health problems and environmental damage. The emission limits apply to existing diesel engines meeting certain criteria for age, size and use. To meet the emissions requirements, owners and operators of the largest of the engines will need to install emissions controls, such as catalysts, to engine exhaust systems. For more information, visit <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/oarpg/new.html>.



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